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In advance of our DTSC Exide briefing this afternoon, please see the latest from Jane describing the lead summit they are planning. Her note below is an invitation to Dr. Etzel, our children's health director in DC. No dates as of yet but note reference to a template for clean up of other lead contaminated sites and state legislation.

From: LEONIDO-JOHN, STEVEN

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Subject: Lead Summit in Los Angeles

Dear Dr. Etzel,

Greetings! I hear so many wonderful things about you from my colleague here in California, Dr, Amy Kyle. We are trying to tackle the issue of lead exposure in children and

respond to the science on low-level exposures to lead leading to significant public health implications.

We have a large lead contamination issue in Los Angeles from a former secondary lead smelter which is driving a lot of engagement on the issue, but California has a larger problem of lead contaminated soils with ghost smelters and the general industrialization/contamination of its cities.

In an effort to have a more comprehensive response to this issue of lead exposure, a number of NGOs are working with the legislature to pass a funding mechanism to cleanup these contaminated properties and coordinate that effort with lead exposure reduction efforts in housing and food.

We are planning on holding a Lead Summit in Los Angeles sometime in late Spring/early summer and are hoping that you could participate. We intend to hold a conference on the first day and on the second day engage our government agencies in a "Roadmap to Restoration" exercise where we will establish workgroups on a number of lead-related topics and draw up recommendations for each of our state and local government sectors involved in remediation and exposure reduction efforts.

The problem we are trying to solve is that we see the same mistakes being made consistently at our cleanup sites, and now that our state is headed into an effort to cleanup many sites, in many counties across the state, we want a template. This template would have existing county programs on lead-based paint integrated with the remediation of lead contaminated sites, integrated with our state's bio monitoring program, integrated with efforts to provide enhanced educational and behavioral services to lead- exposed children in the school setting.

We also are planning on bringing a few activists from other parts of the country who are working on lead contamination at existing lead smelters or closed ones. It is our great hope that we can hold this conference this year in Los Angeles and that next year a similar conference would be held in some other affected community in another U.S. city.

We are hoping you can help us, we hear that you really care about this issue and the many children who are affected by this exposure. Please let me know if you have any time to talk.

Cordially,

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